

The Prince of Wales Visits Kingston, 1919

A Little Book by Everdello

ABOUT

"Everdello" is the name of a sketching blog by Joanne Stanbridge, whose published work includes *Famous Dead Canadians 1 and 2* (Scholastic Canada), *The Extraordinary Music of Mr. Ives* (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt), and nine other books for young readers.

Jo moved to Kingston in 1998 and works full-time as a librarian at Kingston Frontenac Public Library.

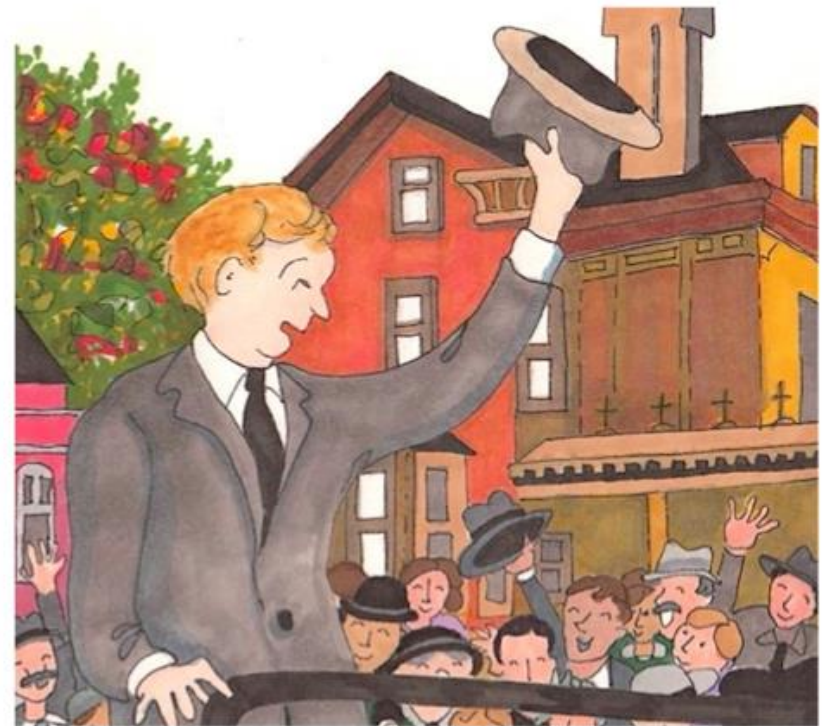
In October 2008 she began posting illustrations and sketches on her blog Everdello just for fun.

Recently she was invited by gallery owner David Dossett to show her work at Martello Alley.

With his encouragement she created the Kingston-themed *Everdello Colouring Book* and this series of small books featuring her sketches.

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KINGSTON - The young Prince of Wales won all hearts. He arrived in the city at ten o'clock on Saturday morning via the Grand Trunk Railway. People thronged the route to the cricket field. Fully 10,000 were present. Many climbed to the roofs of houses on Barrie street.



Thunderous cheers greeted his arrival at the cricket field. As he stepped onto the platform, the band struck up "The King."

As the children sang "God Bless the Prince of Wales" he turned and waved his gloves at them. His winning smile delighted the children and they cheered him loudly.

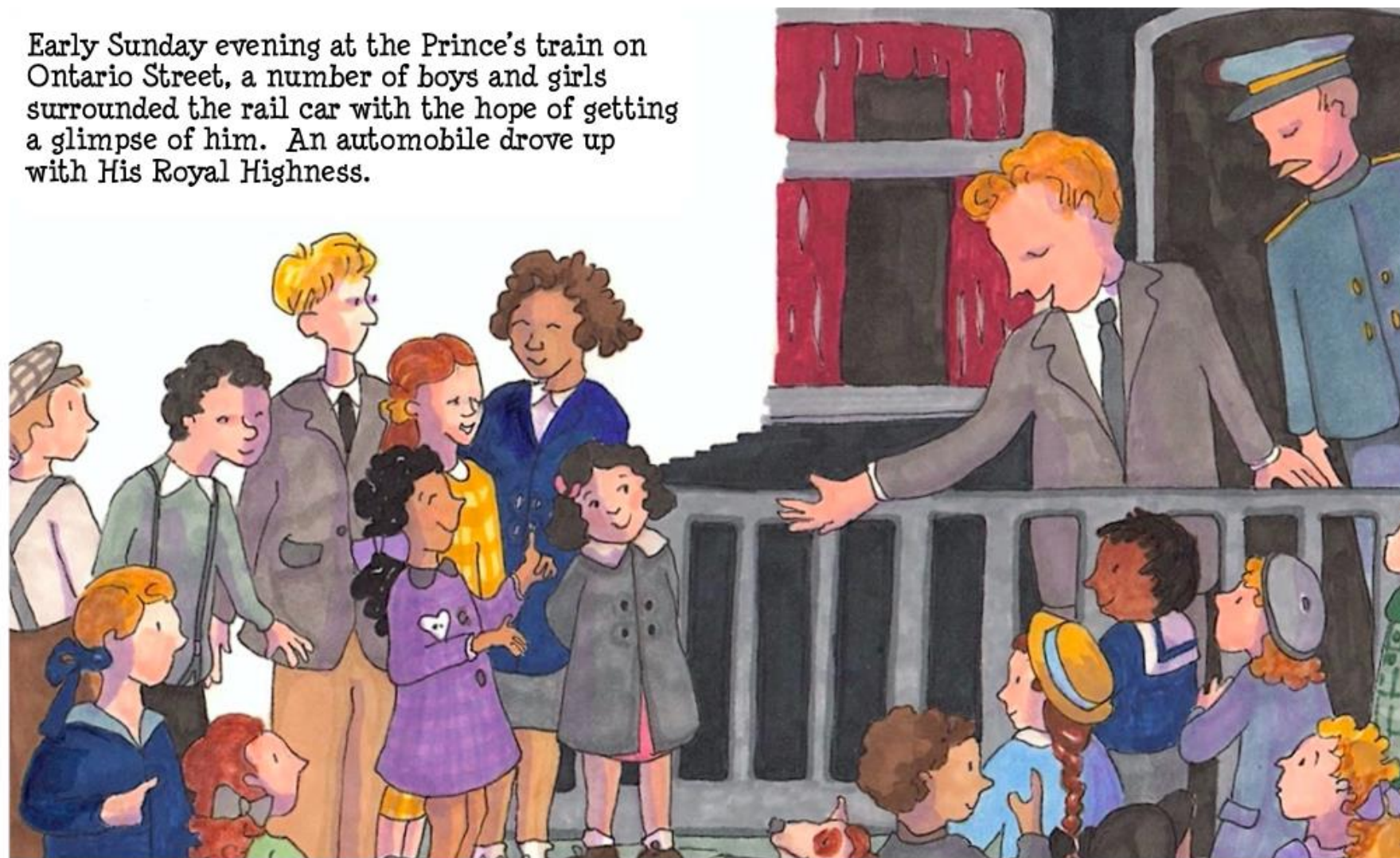
Then commenced a thrilling episode. Veterans of all wars, from the oldest Fenian raider down to the present Great War, passed on to the platform and shook hands with the Prince. A large number of nursing sisters shook hands with His Highness.

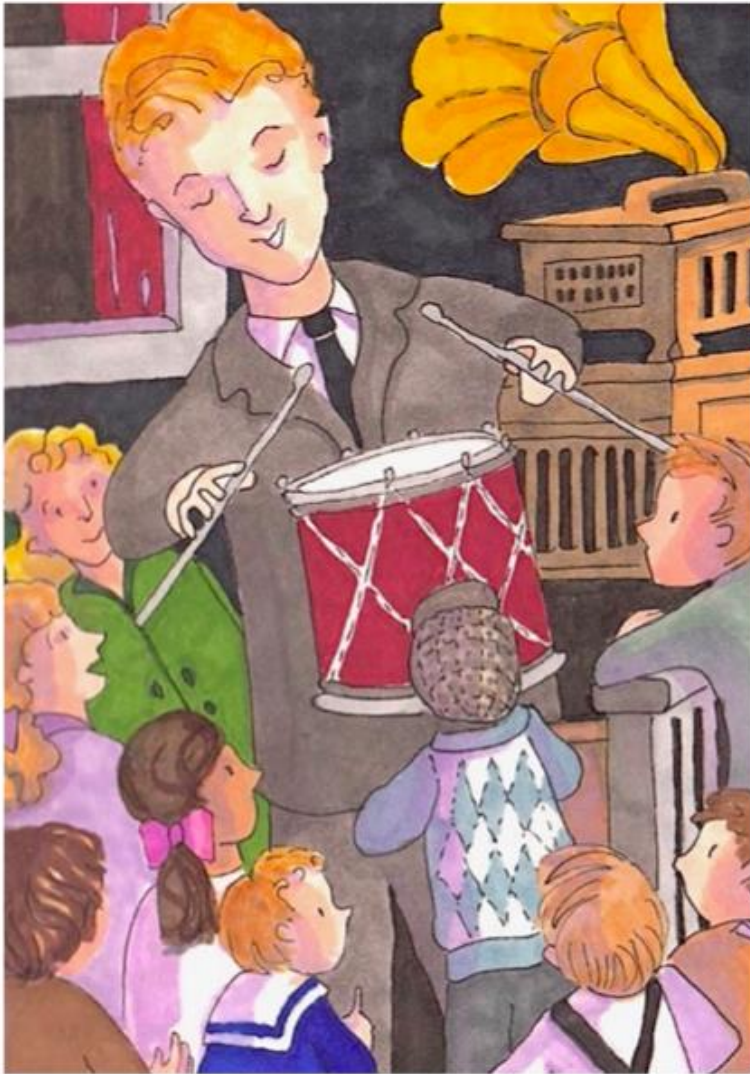
The veterans of the football teams said: "E did 'is bloody bit in the trenches with the rest of us and E's a sport clean through."

At the Royal Military College the cadet battalion received him.

On Saturday night, a dance was given in the Prince's honour at Major-General Williams's residence at 157 King Street.

Early Sunday evening at the Prince's train on Ontario Street, a number of boys and girls surrounded the rail car with the hope of getting a glimpse of him. An automobile drove up with His Royal Highness.





The Prince went into the rail car and started his phonograph. He also played his snare drum.

A little girl went up and gave him a rose, which he pinned on his coat. Instantly he was surrounded.

He was asked for his autograph and for half an hour he wrote his name in books and on scraps of paper.

Fully 200 shook hands with him. One boy asked for a speech, but the Prince said it was Sunday and a day of rest.

One little girl made a "hit" with him, as he looked at the pin she was wearing. On the pin was the word "cutie." The Prince introduced the little girl to his staff as "Little Miss Cutie."



The Prince said that he heartily enjoyed every moment of his stay here, the heartiness of the welcome given to him touched his heart, the people were all so good and the visit would ever be a memorable one.

THE PRINCE'S VISIT in 1919

This text is from a newspaper article
that appeared in the
Daily British Whig
Monday, October 27, 1919.

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Edward, Prince of Wales, was
25 years old at the time.

When his father died in 1936, he
became King Edward VIII.

Soon afterward, he fell in love with an
American divorcee. This caused such a
scandal that it threatened to topple
the British government.

Edward gave up the throne
in order to marry her.



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